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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

In re Application of: Paul D. ZIEGLER et al.
For: CARDIAC STIMULATION DEVICE AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC LOWER PACING RATE
Serial No.: 10/824,898
Filed: April 15, 2004
Docket No.: P11173.00

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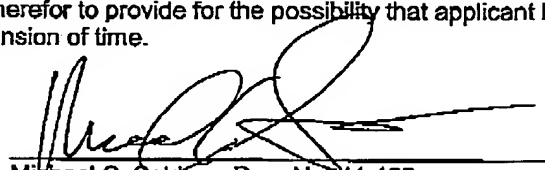
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- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$_____ for the one-month extension fee.
- X Please charge any additional fees or credits to Deposit Account No. 13-2546 which may have been overlooked on this Amendment Transmittal with regard to this filing. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.
- X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

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